

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee held Monday, May 20, 2013 at 6:34 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cynthia Carlozzi, Andrea Hall, Christine Mulligan and Robin Volpini

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Town Council Liaisons John Pacheco and Steve Rawson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Colleen Joubert was excused.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

1. VOTED to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 22, 2013; and dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Motion by Cynthia Carlozzi. Seconded by Christine Mulligan. The vote was unanimous.

2. Discussion of recycling/solid waste statistics

Andrea Hall reported that we were at 29% for April and she is very pleased with our results to date.

3. Discussion/action relative to recycling events

- Results of Earth Day Cleanup held on April 20**

Andrea Hall stated that 251 volunteers showed up this year, which was more than last year. People also did cleanups in the weeks after the event. 3.22 tons were collected, including 102 tires and 25 large plastic items.

4. Progress of pilot program for condos and businesses to participate in town recycling

Andrea Hall stated that she met with the Town Manager to discuss specifics. The first three months will be for base data collection only.

The next 9 months will include recycling pickup and they will be required to report data on a weekly basis and evaluated quarterly. The town will have a right to terminate the program after 6 months if it is not successful.

An ad will be placed in the Bargain Buyer directing interested parties to get more detail on the Town web site. A draft letter and application will be sent to the Committee for review.

5. Swap Shed - discussion/action relative to rules, staffing and acceptable items

The only items that will be accepted at the swap shed are things that can also be disposed of at the Compost Facility and staffing will be limited to the DPW worker on duty at the Compost Facility.

Structures are being researched. There was discussion of placing a

bulletin board where people can post other items available for free or for sale. The goal is to have the shed completed for the Eco Depot/shred event on July 27.

6. Discussion/action relative to Green Team

Andrea Hall has had several people sign up at the Earth Day cleanup.

7. Discussion of book recycling

There is now a book swap shelf at the Recreation Center. Andrea will take any book donations or they can be brought to the Rec Center.

8. Discussion of ReStore bins

Andrea is looking to provide ReStore bins for the collection of plastic bags in school cafeterias and/or the Compost Facility. Bags collected must be brought to RIRRC.

9. Discussion of recycling in schools

- New posters with better illustrations will be provided to the schools for the fall.**
- Recycling contest winners were announced at the library.**
- Four field trips to RIRRC and one Maxman performance have been**

scheduled

10. Review and discuss items proposed for future meetings

John Pacheco noted that the theme for this year's Boy Scout camp at Yawgoog is recycling. He would appreciate any suggestions for recycling-related activities.

11. VOTED to adjourn at 7:11 p.m.

Motion by Christine Mulligan. Seconded by Andrea Hall. The vote was unanimous.

Christine Mulligan, Secretary

Minutes Approved Date:_____